

THE NEWS

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Condensed and Put Into Readable Shape.

DOMESTIC.

LUKE PRIPPS, a Detroit bar-tender, shot his wife, from whom he had asked a divorce, in the back on the 20th, killing her instantly.

THERE is talk of consolidating the Postal, American Rapid, Bankers' and Merchants' Telegraph Companies, with the expectation of forming a formidable rival of the Western Union. Some say the Western Union will prefer to gobble the lot in one lump to taking them in separately.

THE four Reading railroad laborers arrested at Philadelphia on Sunday, the 12th, upon a charge of illegally performing wordy labor on that day, have been given a hearing. Testimony was offered to show that the work could not be accomplished on any other day of the week in consequence of the frequent passage of trains, and the Magistrate taking that view decided the work was necessary, and discharged the defendants.

THE verdict by the Chicago Board of Trade Directors in the McGeech-Fowler lard investigation, censures the Fowlers for the loose way in which they conduct their business, but the motion to suspend them from the Board was lost by a vote of six to five. There was about \$1,500,000 worth of lard directly, and a great deal more indirectly, involved. The testimony on both sides, even that of experts, was clearly shown to be unreliable.

KIRTLAND M. FITCH, the defaulting cashier of the Second National Bank, in Warren, Ohio, surrendered himself to the police in Boston, on the 21st. He says it is true, as charged, that he embezzled \$80,000 from the funds of the bank, and lost it all in stock speculations in New York.

FLEURO-PNEUMONIA has broken out among the cattle in Connecticut. The animals affected have been quarantined.

TWO young ladies, Mamie Karns and Mattie Rude, on the way to a Sunday-school picnic, were drowned in Silver Lake, N. Y., on the 21st.

A DISASTROUS conflagration has occurred at Bersizio, in the Province of Como, Italy. Forty-four houses were burned.

ATLANTA, Ga., is excited over the marriage of white women with Chinese. Two such weddings have occurred within the last few days. A bill has been presented in the Legislature, now in session, making such marriages unlawful. Its passage will be vigorously urged.

A NEW case of yellow fever was developed at the Pensacola Navy-yard on the 21st. A court of inquiry as to the origin of yellow fever at the Navy-yard has been ordered by the authorities in Washington.

THE Western Union Telegraph office at Chicago was destroyed by fire on the 21st. The conflagration was caused by the two close proximity of a gas-jet to the switch board. The office property of the telegraph company was entirely destroyed.

THE seventeen-year-old daughter of Col. James Churchill disappeared from her home in St. Louis very mysteriously a few nights ago. It looks to the detectives like a case of abduction.

S. G. HAYNES & BRO., flour and grain dealers in Savannah, Ga., have failed. Liabilities \$200,000.

THE large paper mill of J. Howard Lewis, at Chester, Pa., was entirely destroyed by fire on the 22d. Loss \$80,000. While the fire was burning the boiler of the mill exploded, killing one man and seriously injuring three others, including Lewis, the proprietor.

THE Empire Oil Works at Long Island City, N. Y., was entirely destroyed by fire on the 22d. The damage is estimated at \$500,000. Four of the workmen were seriously injured, one of whom it is thought will die.

DECKER DAVIS, Treasurer of the Chickasaw Guards of Memphis, has embezzled \$2,000 of the company's money and disappeared.

A MRS. McNEIL, of Vicksburg, accuses her husband of murder and arson, committed long ago, no clue as to who was the perpetrator having ever been discovered. At MATTON, Ill., on the 23d, David Woods and his team were attacked by a swarm of honey bees and stung to death.

THE selection of a jury to try Frank James, the noted desperado, was completed at Gallatin, Mo., on the 23d, and the case formally opened. Eighty-nine witnesses have been called for the State and thirty-nine for the defense. The charge upon which James is being tried is the train robbery at Winston and the murder of Conductor Westfall.

At Athens, Ga., on the 23d, Mrs. Fowler and her four-year-old daughter were killed by a bolt of lightning. An infant in its mother's arms was unharmed.

TWO Irish families and three German paupers, assisted emigrants, were returned to their native countries by the authorities of Buffalo, N. Y., on the 22d.

TWO men, John McClain and George Gwynn, were suffocated by foul air in a well which they were repairing, near Knoxville, Tenn., on the 22d. When assistance reached them both were dead.

THE Pensacola Board of Health announced three new cases of yellow fever on the 23d—two at Pensacola and one at the Navy-yard.

CHAS. OSTERHOUT, of Hoosic Falls, N. Y., called upon his family physician, Dr. T. R. Hudson, a few days ago, to visit his sick wife. Dr. Hudson refusing to go, Osterhout drew a pistol and fired twice. The physician is fatally hurt. Osterhout escaped.

LATEST advices from Rochester, Minn., place the number killed by the cyclone at thirty-four and the number of wounded at eighty-four, nine of whom are fatally hurt.

THE five Chinamen whose queues were shaved off when they were committed to the New Jersey Penitentiary a few days ago, will sue the State for damages, claiming that the queue is an element of the Chinese religion, and the Constitution of the United States protects them in their religious beliefs.

A CONSTABLE and posse attempted to take William Andrews from a house of ill-repute at Isadora, Mo., on the 23d, and were fired upon by him, one of the party, Dr. J. C. Rex, being killed. Andrews gave himself up. Rex was an influential citizen.

MRS. ELIZABETH CAMERON, twenty-eight years old, was shot through the head and instantly killed in her apartments, in New York City, on the 23d, by George Beattie,

aged forty-four. After killing the woman Beattie shot himself through the heart and fell dead across her body. Beattie had been discharged from his employment by the husband of Mrs. Cameron, and it is supposed he murdered the wife for revenge.

THE body of a young man named George Posey was found in the river at Valley Falls, Kas., on the 23d with a large stone tied to his neck. An inquest was held and a verdict of suicide rendered. Young Posey was supposed to have been too intimate with an elder brother's wife, and she ran away from home a few days before. The elder brother charged George with the intimacy, and the next morning the younger brother was missing. It was supposed he had gone to join the woman until the body was found.

RICHARD FANNING, twenty years old, employed as a bell boy in the Sherman House at Chicago, was arrested a few nights ago on a charge of having committed a heavy robbery while employed in a similar capacity in the Parker House, Boston. Detectives declare he is the same person who robbed Austin Corbin in the Lexington flats, of New York, and that he also robbed a large number of guests at a Saratoga hotel. The accused made a partial confession, and was taken to Boston in charge of a detective from that city.

MALARIA has attacked the guests at several New Hampshire watering places. Two have died. Defective drainage is supposed to be the cause of the trouble.

TO ESCAPE from the attention of the Missouri authorities, Slade, with his trainer, has gone to Atchison, where he will prepare for the coming prize fight.

TWO bales of cotton, the first of this year's crop raised in the Memphis district, were classed as middling and sold at auction, realizing twenty-five cents per pound. They were purchased by W. A. Prince & Co., and shipped free by the railroads to Boston and Providence.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

SECRETARY CHANDLER embarked on the Tallapoosa on the 20th for a summer trip, which he will extend at his pleasure. Secretary Folger has sailed from Chicago for an excursion to Lake Superior, on the U. S. cutter Andy Johnson.

ANDREW J. CHAPPE, a mechanical engineer of the Water-works, of St. Louis, has brought suit for \$50,000 damages against the Post-Dispatch and E. C. Slevin, a member of the Lower House of the Municipal Assembly, and chairman of a committee which recently investigated the management of the Water-works. The publication upon which the suit is based was simply an interview with Mr. Slevin, in which he forshadowed the report he made to the house of delegates.

CHAS. W. GRISWOLD, for many years a member of the firm of Darling, Griswold & Co., Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, died at Long Branch on the 20th, from Bright's disease of the kidneys, after an illness of several months.

OSCAR WILDE's drama, "Vera, the Nihilist," was presented for the first time in the Union Square Theatre, New York, on the 20th. A large audience attended the performance and the drama was kindly received. Mr. Wilde was called to the stage at the conclusion of the play and thanked the audience for the interest manifested in his production. He expressed his gratification at having been able to have his play of "Vera" presented first before an American audience and by a distinctively American company.

UNDER the auspices of Lieutenant West, of the United States Light-house Board, a party composed of Senator George, of Mississippi; Congressman King, of Louisiana; and members of the Chamber of Commerce, Maritime Exchange and representatives of Mercantile Marine of New York a few days ago made a trip in the outer harbor to inspect the action of the Foster gas-light buoy and beacon off Sandy Hook. The beacon, which was lighted three months ago, was found in full force and brilliancy, and was reported by the officers of the light-ship as unflinching.

THE Lower House of the Georgia Legislature has adopted a resolution instructing the members of Congress from that State to vote for Postal Telegraph service.

EX-GOVERNOR CORNELL, of New York, thinks the value of Western Union stock has been increased twenty per cent. by the strike. The written promise of the operators that they will renounce the Brotherhood sits lightly upon their consciences. It is estimated that the Brotherhood will not lose more than ten per cent. of its members on account of the agreement.

At the session of the Labor Congress in New York City on the 22d the Secretary was instructed to send a letter to the next National Conventions of the two great political parties, setting forth the demands of the workmen. A resolution favoring the establishment of a Government Postal Telegraph system was adopted. The Executive Committee was instructed to communicate with all national and international trades and labor organizations, with the view of obtaining a basis by which more thorough unanimity might be secured. Mr. Charles Smith, F. H. Foster and Fred. Blend were appointed a committee to address a letter to the workmen of the country, urging them to unite for self-protection. Thanks were voted to Senators Voorhees and Conger for speeches in the Senate in support of the principles of Trades Unions.

THE Missouri Free Trade League, ex-Governor Phelps President, has issued an invitation to all who oppose a protection tariff and favor a genuine reform of the revenue laws to a conference at St. Louis on the 2d of October, 1883, for the discussion of this question. The meeting is to be non-partisan.

THE State Prohibition Convention of Tennessee, in session at Nashville, have adopted an address, in which it arraigns the liquor traffic as a source of more evil than all other causes combined; that it has assumed to dictate legislation to pledge to support no man who is not in favor of it; that National, State, county and municipal associations have been organized to further its views. It recommends the submission of the question of a constitutional amendment forever prohibiting the manufacture, importation or sale of alcoholic liquors. The Prohibitionists will not place an independent ticket in the field.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

TO ASSIST in the movement of the crops, an order has been issued to all the Assistant Treasurers of the United States to accept gold coin in exchange for silver certificates.

J. B. GARDNER, a wealthy citizen of Boston, recently deceased, provided by will that a large sum of money, bonds and other securities, aggregating in value \$381,000, should be turned over to the United States Treasury, to be used to help to pay the Na-

tional debt. The bequest has been received at the Treasury Department, and was placed to the credit of "patriotic donations."

GENERAL SEWELL, Chief of the Special Agents in the Internal Revenue Bureau, was directed on the 21st to detail men in a number of the larger cities to look after small liquor dealers, who buy in quantities of four and a half gallons from different places in order to avoid the wholesale liquor tax. Information having been received by Commissioner Evans that the law was being evaded in Louisville, prompted the order.

THE Commissioner of Internal Revenue on the 22d rendered his decision as to the liability of various brands of "Bitters" and such other medicinal preparations to a special tax as beverages. He holds that while bitters are sold in good faith as medicine, no special tax since July 1 will be required. An analysis of the particular specimen of the bitters in which this decision was rendered showed the following result: Absolute alcohol, thirty-two per cent.; water, sixty-four per cent.; essential oils and flavoring extracts, four per cent.

THE Treasury Department has awarded gold medals of honor to Joseph Cardman and Alfred Cardman, for heroism displayed in having saved from drowning, on April 19, William Marshall, keeper, and Edward Chambers and Edward Lasley, assistant keepers, at Spectacle Reef Light-house Station, near Bois Blanc Island, Lake Huron.

COMMISSIONER EVANS says that the report of Special Agent Somerville, detailed to investigate certain charges against the subordinates in Collector Cumhaugh's office at Owensboro, Ky., is very strong against the parties concerned, and he has recommended their removal unless they can make a satisfactory defense.

FOREIGN.

DR. CONNOLLY and Patrick Connolly, brothers, have been arrested at Bruff, County Limerick, Ireland, on the evidence of an informer, charged with being connected with a murder conspiracy. Documents were found on the prisoners showing that the conspiracy in which they were engaged was aimed at the lives of Clifford Lloyd and others.

TWELVE decomposed bodies of children were discovered in the establishment of an undertaker at Bermondsey, a suburb of London, on the 22d. The police are making inquiries as to the identity of the children and the cause of their death.

M. GRATIEN, an aeronaut of Paris, while preparing for an ascension on the 22d, was suddenly jerked into the air by the balloon, which had broken loose, and carried at a great height for four miles, his only support being a cord that had wrapped itself around two fingers of his right hand. The cord cut through the flesh, causing excruciating agony. When the balloon finally landed it was in a bramble patch, and Gratien was dragged some distance through the thorny bush. His clothes were torn off and his body badly scratched.

THE Secretary of the Treasury of Mexico has issued an invitation to each State to send two delegates to the Capital by October 1, to discuss the manner of abolishing the internal custom houses, in conformity with the constitutional amendment, and to propose another and more equitable tax to replace the loss suffered by the States in consequence thereof. The Secretary says the extension of railroads has made the internal custom houses impracticable.

THE remark of Bismarck's France, alone threatens the peace of Europe, has created a sensation in several European capitals. The markets were affected on the bourses of Paris, Berlin and Vienna. French papers declare that France is better prepared now to say that Bismarck is seeking a pretext for a quarrel, or for the imposition of fresh army burdens. Austrian papers ask if the article means war. In England it is thought too much significance should not be attached to what has been said.

LATER NEWS.

COMTE DE CHAMBORED died on the morning of the 24th at Froisdorf. He was thought to be dying on May 15, and was very low the greater part of the time from that date on. His last hours were tranquil. Royalist papers are reserved in their comments regarding the Count's death. Republican journals pay homage to his sincerity.

THE Senate Commission to inquire into the grievance of the Sioux Indians is in session at Fort Gates. A number of the chiefs have indicated their willingness to become farmers and own their land in severalty, provided their rations are continued and they are provided with implements and instruction. Sitting Bull wanted to do all the talking for the Sioux, and when informed that others would be heard he used insulting language to the committee and went off in anger.

TWO new cases of yellow fever and one death were reported from the Pensacola Navy-yard on the 24th. A house to house inspection has been ordered by Woolsey and Warrington, villages situated near the Navy-yard.

A JOINT resolution favoring a Government postal telegraph system has passed the New Hampshire Legislature.

A SOCIALISTIC meeting in Berlin on the 24th was interrupted by the police. Several persons who offered resistance were wounded.

THE English Government has granted a pension of £250 a year to Matthew Arnold.

P. H. LOGAN, of Chicago, has been elected President of the Federation of Trades and Labor Unions, and M. J. Connolly, of Cincinnati, one of the Vice Presidents. An answer was authorized to a letter from Jarrett to the effect that on account of the difference of opinion upon the tariff question among the Trades Unions, that question would be entirely ignored in the future. A final adjournment was had after resolving that the shortening of hours of labor shall be considered of paramount importance.

THE steamship Celtic arrived off Sandy Hook early on the morning of the 24th with Lord Chief Justice Coleridge on board. A committee appointed by the New York Bar Association went down in a yacht to meet the vessel. The distinguished visitor was first taken up East River and given a view of the new bridge. After landing Lord Coleridge and his son accompanied Elliott E. Sheppard, the Chairman of the Reception Committee, to his home on Fifty-fourth street.

A PARTY of twenty who were bathing in the surf at Quonkum Beach on the coast of Maine on the 24th were swept out by the undertow and four were drowned. Four others were in a critical condition when rescued. The drowned were Greenough Thayer, of North Cambridge, Mass.; Miss Emma Gould, of Andover, Mass.; and Miss Kittie Stafford and Eddie Little, of Washington.

LAST HOURS OF JUDGE JEREMIAH S. BLACK.

YORK, Pa., Aug. 20.

Judge Jeremiah Black died at ten minutes past two o'clock yesterday morning. Though not unexpected, his death was sudden. Saturday morning he seemed somewhat better, but the improvement was two shifts to justify a hope of his recovery. The unfavorable change began about four o'clock in the afternoon, and he gradually grew worse, but remained conscious almost to the end, and died peacefully. Shortly before the end came he said to his wife: "How can I fear to cross the dark river when my father waits for me on the other shore?" and added: "Would I were as comfortable about all I leave behind as this world." He then breathed the following earnest prayer: "Oh! Thou most beloved and merciful heavenly Father, from whom I had my being and in whom I have ever trusted, if it is Thy will grant that my suffering may end and that I may be called home to Thee; and oh! bless and comfort Thee, my Mary."

The immediate cause of Judge Black's death was pneumonia, produced by the absorption of retained urinary constituents prior to the operation of Thursday. Dr. McKennon, of York, who had spent yesterday with the patient, noticed the appearance of unfavorable symptoms about four o'clock in the afternoon. Dr. Meissenholder, who relieved Dr. McKennon, also noted the change for the worse. From that hour the increasing gravity of his symptoms indicated a gradual failure of the vital forces. Judge Black suffered greatly during his illness, but his last moments were without acute pain, and he passed quietly away, retaining consciousness until within a few minutes of his death. From the beginning of his illness Judge Black believed he never would recover, and was perfectly resigned. Jeremiah S. Black was born January 10, 1810, in Glades, Somerset County, Pa.

At the age of seventeen he began the study of law, and his success as a lawyer was remarkable from the date of his admission to the bar. In 1851 he was made Chief-Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. He remained in this position until he was called into the Cabinet of President Buchanan as Attorney-General. Judge Black retired from office in 1861, and from that time until his death he was actively engaged in the practice of law in his highest branches.

Money Under a Truck.

WASHINGTON, AUG. 20.

George I. Langley and John R. Burgee were engaged a day or two ago to remove a worn-out punch-machine in the cancelling-room of the Treasury Department. The punch is used to cancel paper money as it becomes old. It lacerates the money in such a way as to destroy it forever. In the corner of the cancelling-room stands an old truck. It has not been disturbed for many years, and the janitors, with commendable thrift, carefully deposited their sweepings under it.

On the day the workmen commenced operations there the rubbish had been piled so high that it was found necessary to remove it. Langley began the work. After removing several hundred old annual reports and a stack of circulars, his attention was attracted by a small dark-colored package, covered an inch deep with dust. Taking the package up, he was astonished to find that it was a bundle of brand-new one-dollar bills. There were 10,000 of them—more money than the workman had ever dreamed of having. He was unobserved, and could have slipped the bills under his coat. He, however, delivered them up at once to one of the officials.

The Treasury officials are not anxious to talk about the matter. That so large a sum could be lost and not missed displays a remarkably loose system of book-keeping. If the bills had been called in for cancellation the tallies that are kept of cancellations should have discovered the deficit. If taken from the vaults the system of change in vogue there ought to have made known the loss. It was reported that the money was part of the Ottoman compromise fund, and had been placed there for safe keeping by the Attorney-General and George Bliss. This report is not believed, however. The matter is undergoing a strict investigation, and it is probable that some explanation of it will be made. Langley received no reward for his honesty.

Applying for Reinstatement.

NEW YORK, AUG. 20.

The main office of the Western Union Telegraph Company was besieged from an early hour Saturday morning by nearly a hundred operators seeking reinstatement. Superintendent Humiston was busily engaged discriminating between the applications from first-class workmen and those who were considered second and third-rate. Only the best workmen were taken back, and quite a number of operators were disappointed by being rejected. Those operators who were taken on after the strike commenced will be retained by the company in their present positions. Superintendent Humiston said that all the branch offices will be open for business Monday morning, and everything be in perfect working order by that time. He could not promise that the company would take back all operators, and thought that a large number would be compelled to seek positions elsewhere, as the company could not, in justice to itself, discharge those operators who had stood by it in its difficulties. It will take about two weeks before positions can be found for those of the strikers whom the company intends to reinstate.

There are still many operators and nearly all of the linemen who say the strike is not yet ended, and that they intend to make it lively for the company yet. This, however, is regarded as mere talk and bravado. Mr. Mitchell, of the Brotherhood, says the men will return to work just as fast as the company will take them back. He expressed a belief that at the end of a week or so there would be but few of the strikers who will not have been reinstated in the company's employ.

Death from Fright.

CORLESKILL, N. Y., Aug. 20.

At Howe's Cave Friday morning Frank E'ood, aged twenty-six years, was bitten on the wrist by a little dog he was playing with. The wound was trifling, but Blood asserted that he would die from it. He became violent at noon, and three men were unable to hold him. At half-past three he became unconscious, and died at nine in the evening. He drank water frequently during the day, showing it was not a case of hydrophobia. A council of physicians decided that Blood died from nervous exhaustion caused by fright.

The caterpillar and worms are committing ravages in the cotton fields of South Carolina. Efforts were being made to save the crop.

THE COMMONWEALTH.

A VALUABLE black saddle mare was stolen from John Parrish in Scott County a few nights ago, and a very valuable boy buggy was stolen the same night from June Johnson, of Edge Hill. A band of gypsies camping in that vicinity for several days are suspected.

A FINE mare, worth \$200, and a horse worth \$125, belonging to Mrs. L. A. Dawson, residing on Pleasant Run, in Adair County, were struck by lightning a few days ago, and killed. The mare was found lying under a tree some 300 yards from the house, and the horse some seventy-five yards away.

A MURDER of a very atrocious character, according to all the reports, was perpetrated on election day at Neatsville, Adair County. Milton Bruster and Rue Fitzpatrick had been working for Mr. Pelly, and some differences had arisen between them. Fitzpatrick and his brother Rue met Bruster on the street in Neatsville on the 6th, and told him they were going to kill him. Bruster had his little boy with him, who was holding him by the hand. He and his little boy both began begging the Fitzpatricks not to execute their threats, but to no purpose. One of the Fitzpatricks attacked Bruster with a knife, and inflicted several wounds. The other brother drew a pistol and shot Bruster through the heart. After Bruster fell another shot was fired into his head. All this occurred while the little boy was clinging to his father.

GOVERNOR BLACKBURN in an interview with a reporter a few days ago said he had not given the friends of Crittenden and Wing reason to believe that either of them would be pardoned. The Governor remarked further to the interviewer: "You may say one thing, and I think I am right in saying it; I intend to pardon every one in that penitentiary who I believe deserves Executive clemency."

JAMES FIELDS and others, colored, brought suit in Newport a few days ago against the estate of Gen. James Taylor, deceased, for the purpose of getting possession of certain pieces of property bequeathed to them by General Taylor. They had been slaves of the General, and the bequests were in the nature of a reward conditioned, however, on their performing certain duties. When General Taylor died the late Col. James Taylor, his son, was made executor of his estate.

It is alleged that he applied to the court for instructions as to how he should pay this bequest, and the court decided that they were not entitled to anything. The case is one of much interest, and its decision will have an important bearing on many similar cases in the State.

Before daylight a few mornings ago, a youth named Cotter, residing with his parents in Louisville, arose from his bed and got hold of a pistol belonging to one of his brothers, who was sleeping in the same room with him. Creeping cautiously to the bedside he took deliberate aim at his sleeping brother and fired, the ball entering just below the shoulder, ranging downward into the vital parts and causing a fatal wound. The family of the unfortunate young man can give no reason for the terrible deed except the derangement of the mind of the one that did the shooting.

MESSES. GILLIGAN & LEONARD, of Covington, have suffered the loss of a fine horse through the thoughtless brutality of a set of Cincinnati "blonds." The fellows hired the animal a few days ago, and almost killed it by their reckless and furious driving. It died during the night. The firm will sue the fellows if anything can be made out of them.

An eloping couple, Frank I. Green, of Georgetown, and Miss Sallie B. Rue, of High Bridge, having been informed at Danville that a license to wed could not be issued them because it was Sunday, arranged with the officials to stay up until after midnight, when the license was drawn up and the knot tied.

GOVERNOR BLACKBURN a few days ago granted a pardon to George Meese, sent to the Penitentiary from Larue County, for twenty-one years, for murder. He had served three years in prison.

Weekly Review of the Louisville Leaf Tobacco Market.

The receipts for the week were 970 hhds. against 900 hhds. in the corresponding week of last year. Offerings were more than double the amount of receipts. In certain grades of Burley tobacco, prices have exceeded the demand, and prices have fallen back somewhat. This is especially the case with common and medium rough filler leaf. Lugs, however, especially if smooth and colory, have sold at full prices. Good and fine leaf has been offered sparingly. Dark and heavy styles have been very active, and prices have ruled firm. Green River fillers, Yellow Pryor, have sold up to \$17.25, prices not equalled since 1874, except in the short flurry of the summer of 1881. Hart County wrappers have sold as high as \$71. Regie and other foreign styles are steady. The tone of the market for dark and heavy tobacco has been but little if in any degree influenced by crop advices, but merely by the current relations between the demand and supply. Rain has fallen more or less plentifully in all the principal sections of the State, and no apprehensions in relation to the crop are felt here. There have also been good rains in Tennessee, Indiana, Missouri and Virginia. The yield of the bright-wrapper section of Virginia, according to the latest local estimates, will be between a half and two-thirds of an average. There has been a brisk Virginia demand recently in this market for Burley and Green River fillers. We quote new crop tobacco as follows:

Dark and Heavy, Burley.	
Trash.....	\$3 00 4 00 5 00 6 00
Common lugs.....	4 25 4 75 5 25 5 75
Medium to good lugs.....	5 25 5 75 6 25 6 75
Common leaf.....	6 00 6 50 7 00 7 50
Medium to good leaf.....	7 00 7 50 8 00 8 50
Fine leaf.....	10 00 11 00 12 00 13 00
Selections.....	14 00 15 00 16 00 17 00
Medium leaf, dark or coarse.....	7 00 7 50 8 00 8 50
Common, smooth and bright.....	10 00 11 00 12 00 13 00
Medium, smooth and bright.....	14 00 15 00 16 00 17 00
Good, smooth and bright.....	18 00 19 00 20 00 21 00
Fine and fancy.....	25 00 26 00 27 00 28 00

—It was a waiter at one of the White Mountain hotels who, being asked for some green corn, replied: "I regret to inform you that the supply of vegetables was not adequate to the demand to-day, and has become exhausted. Possibly you may select some garden product enumerated on the menu as a substitute."—N. Y. Graphic.

—A Jersey City dog that had bitten a man was taken out five miles at sea and cast overboard to drown. He succeeded in swimming to land, and now his master swears by the great horn spoon he shall not die.—N. Y. Sun.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

St. Louis has 1,750 drinking saloons.

A ST. PAUL church is discussing the propriety of adopting the bell-punch for use in taking up collections.

THE number of people using the public baths during each summer week, in New York City, is nearly 250,000.

Boston is organizing a society for the suppression of musical discussion, but will not suppress the Sunday concerts on the Common for the benefit of working people.

A BOSTON firm is doing some very elaborate and costly carving for Mr. S. J. Tilden's new library in his New York residence. The room will be one of the finest in the country.

THE Bucks County (Pa.) Historical Society has resolved to mark the spot in Wrightstown where stood the famous old chestnut tree at which the "walking purchase" of 1737 was begun.

MANY of the caterpillars and other insects that have been ruining the foliage of shade and fruit trees in Eastern States this year, are said to be of kinds that no bird will touch. They are a hideous pest.

JUDGE KINNE, Democratic candidate for Governor of Iowa, openly declared himself, in a recent speech, in favor of a saloon on every hilltop, in every village, at every crossroads. "And," he added, "the more public the better!"

THE New York Commercial Advertiser says that no sound so delights the people's ear as the silent symphony which is played by the gentle motion of a club upon the intellectual sounding-board of a refractory prisoner.

FOR fifteen years, contrary to the command of his physicians, Mr. Frank Bird, of Massachusetts, has indulged in strong coffee and cigars, is now in better health than ever, and has mourned as one by one the doctors have quit this world's busy scene.

THE number of watermelons shipped by steamer from Savannah to the Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston markets was, for the season, 797,101. The freight averaged six cents, and the average price at which the melons sold was twenty-five cents.

EX-COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE LeDuc thinks domesticated ostriches will soon be preferable to mules for street car service, and when worn out will be valuable for beef. An ostrich, he says, fattened on sawdust and scrap iron, makes the best beef in the world.

THE mystery of the advantage had by Jews over Christians in comparative security from cholera and other pestilence in the old country is explained by the habitual good care the Jews take of themselves—the religion and sense they practice in matters of eating and drinking.

A HERMIT, named Johnson Terwilliger, lives in a cave on Peter's Mountain, Perry County, Pennsylvania. Involved in a revolutionary movement in Europe, he fled to America, leaving behind a wife and child, whom he has never seen since. He sustains life by selling rattlesnake oil which he makes.

THE Liquor Bill in Georgia's Legislature, and which is thought likely to become a law, is prohibitory. One-tenth of the voters in a county or one-fifth in a city or town can successfully petition for an election to determine whether the Prohibition policy shall be tried. This voting must be separate from any other election.

LONDONERS should keep at home their professional swimmers, Bebril, a rival of Captain Webb, who announces his intention of trying the Niagara whirlpool. If he comes over and is drowned, the people of the United States should not be lectured for it by the London newspapers, as in the unhappy case of Webb.

A PHILOSOPHER of the New York Herald thus sums it all up: "Life consists of cutting teeth in childhood, of the pangs of unrequited love in youth, of dyspepsia in manhood, of a fear of death in old age, and an oppressive certainty that the lawyers will contest your will and pocket most of your money."

THE Selma (Ala.) Times, noting the fact that a negro girl tore a ring from the ear of a little white girl that was playing in the streets of Mobile, remarks that "there is no humanity in boring a hole in the flesh of a helpless innocent, and a great deal of folly in sending children to play in the streets with costly jewelry on."

THE flannel shirt has made greater advancement in winning its way